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## ARTS

### National Association of Television Program Executives' Educational Foundation Student Video & Film Production Awards

**Program:** The National Association of Television Program Executives' Educational Foundation is accepting submissions for its annual Student Video & Film Production Awards, which are sponsored by the Lippin Family Trust. The awards recognize excellence in the production of student video and film projects worldwide. Entries will be judged based on concept, execution, and creativity, and are open to any full-time, matriculated undergraduate college student. Submissions may be fiction or nonfiction and take any form, including commercials, public service announcements, human interest stories, biographies, interviews, and cultural events.

**Funds:** Award size: \$3,000 and a matching donation to the student's academic department

**Deadline:** May 3, 2004

**Eligible:** Student-produced video or film production not exceeding two minutes in length

**Information:** Chris Blackledge, National Association of Television Program Executives' Educational Foundation, 2425 Olympic Boulevard, Suite 600E, Santa Monica, California 90404, Telephone: (310) 857-1633, E-mail: [chrisb@natpe.org](mailto:chrisb@natpe.org), Link: <http://www.natpe.org/about/educational/student.shtml>

## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

### Boston Connects, Inc.

#### Organizational Assessment Services

**Program:** Boston Connects, Inc., the community-based organization working to create and sustain economic self-sufficiency for individuals, families, and communities in Boston's Empowerment Zone, has issued a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) seeking consultants who are experienced in organizational assessment, development, and management to provide workshops to community and faith-based organizations in Boston's Empowerment Zone. Respondents must be able to implement a series of workshops that are sensitive to the special needs of non-profits while using for-profit strategies to provide leadership staff and board members of Empowerment Zone community and faith-based organizations with the skills to maintain and expand their organizations effectively. The RFQ will be available on Monday, March 15, 2004 through Boston Connects, Inc.

**Funds:** Total funds available: \$80,000

**Deadline:** April 21, 2004 by 5:00 p.m.

**Eligible:** Not-for-profit community-based organizations and experienced agencies located in or in proximity to Boston's Empowerment Zone

**Information:** Shirley Carrington, Deputy Director, Boston Connects, Inc., 2201 Washington Street, 3rd Floor, Roxbury, MA 02119, Telephone: (617) 541-2673, E-mail: [Shirley.Carrington.bci@ci.boston.ma.us](mailto:Shirley.Carrington.bci@ci.boston.ma.us), Link: [www.BostonEZ.org](http://www.BostonEZ.org)

## **The Sparkplug Foundation Innovations Grant Program**

- Program:** The Sparkplug Foundation provides funding for start-up projects and innovations in three areas:
- 1) Music – seeking to foster the expansion of musical ideas by supporting new projects that promote original programming and new performers;
  - 2) Education – seeking to promote living environments in which learning is a natural activity and habit, rather than a periodic task. The foundation values critical and investigative thinking, and supports projects that address class disparities in educational access.
  - 3) Grassroots Organizing – encouraging individuals and grassroots groups to develop and enact activist strategies for addressing institutional injustices and for envisioning and building a reasoned, just society.
- In all three areas, the foundation is interested in making one-time grants for activities that create sustainable organizing and communities. Sparkplug favors projects that promote diversity.
- Funds:** Grant size: \$5,000
- Deadline:** April 30, 2004
- Eligible:** The foundation accepts applications from individuals and not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organizations
- Information:** The Sparkplug Foundation, Post Office Box 603, Tarrytown, NY 10591, Telephone: (877) 866-8285, E-mail: [info@sparkplugfoundation.org](mailto:info@sparkplugfoundation.org), Link: <http://www.sparkplugfoundation.org/>

## **EDUCATION**

### **U.S. Department of Education Office of Postsecondary Education**

#### **Teacher Quality Enhancement Grants Program – Partnership Grants**

- Program:** The purpose of the Teacher Quality Enhancement Grants Program is to provide grants to promote improvements in the quality of new teachers, with the ultimate goal of increasing student achievement in grades through twelve. Partnership grants are designed to promote significant improvements in teacher education by strengthening the vital role of elementary and secondary educators in the design and implementation of effective teacher education programs, and by increasing collaboration among these educators and institutions of higher education and schools of arts and sciences.
- Funds:** Total funds available: \$28.8 million  
Average grant size: \$1.1 million per year  
Range of grants: \$500,000 to \$2 million  
Number of awards: 25
- Deadline:** Pre-applications: April 2, 2004  
Full applications: June 14, 2004
- Eligible:** Eligible partnerships, which include, at a minimum:
- A partner institution, such as a private independent or state-supported public

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- institution of higher education with an eligible teacher education program;
- A school of arts and sciences; and
- A high-need local educational agency.

Partnerships may include a Governor's Office, state educational agency, the state board of education, the state agency for higher education, an institution of higher education, a public charter school, a public or private elementary school or secondary school, a public or private nonprofit educational organization, a business, a teacher organization, or a pre-kindergarten program.

**Information:** Luretha Kelley, U.S. Department of Education, 1990 K Street, NW, Room 7096, Washington, DC 20006-8526, Telephone: (202) 502-7645, E-mail: [Luretha.Kelley@ed.gov](mailto:Luretha.Kelley@ed.gov), Link: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2004/04-4766.htm>

**FR:** 3/3 10006-10009

## **U.S. Department of Education**

### **Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services**

#### **Personnel Preparation To Improve Services and Results for Children with Disabilities**

**Program:** The purposes of the program are to:

- 1) Help address state-identified needs for qualified personnel in special education, related services, early intervention, and regular education to work with children with disabilities; and
- 2) Ensure that those personnel have the skills and knowledge, derived from practices that have been determined through research and experience to be successful that are needed to serve those children.

Specifically, the funding priorities for the current round include:

- Absolute Priority 1 – Preparation of special education, related services, and early intervention personnel to serve infants, toddlers, and children with low-incidence disabilities;
- Absolute Priority 2 – Preparation of leadership personnel;
- Absolute Priority 3 – Preparation of personnel in minority institutions; and
- Absolute Priority 4 – Improving the preparation of personnel to serve children with high-incidence disabilities.

**Funds:** Total funds available: \$14,200,796

**Deadline:** Absolute Priority 1 – April 16, 2004  
 Absolute Priority 2 – April 9, 2004  
 Absolute Priority 3 – April 9, 2004  
 Absolute Priority 4 – April 5, 2004

**Eligible:** Institutes of higher education

**Information:** Grants and Contracts Services Team, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, Room 3317, Switzer Building, Washington, DC 20202-2550, Telephone: (202) 205-8207, Link: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2004/04-4722.htm>

**FR:** 3/3 10011-10018]

**U.S. Department of Education  
Office of Safe and Drug-Free Schools  
Partnerships in Character Education**

**Program:** The Office of Safe and Drug-Free Schools will provide grants to design and implement character education programs that teach students about caring, civic virtue, citizenship, justice, fairness, respect, responsibility, trust, giving, or any other character element.

**Funds:** Total funds available: \$2,496,331  
Range of grants: \$100,000 to \$750,000  
Number of awards: nine

**Deadline:** April 9, 2004

**Eligible:** State educational agencies, local educational agencies, and partnerships of educational agencies and nonprofit organizations, including institutions of higher education

**Information:** Sharon Burton, U.S. Department of Education, 555 New Jersey Avenue, NW, Room 203, Washington, DC 20208-5570, Telephone: (202) 219-2044, Fax: (202) 208-1190, E-mail: [Sharon.Burton@ed.gov](mailto:Sharon.Burton@ed.gov), Link: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2004/04-3989.htm>

**FR:** 2/24 8392-8395

**U.S. Department of Education  
Office of Elementary and Secondary Education  
Early Reading First**

**Program:** The Early Reading First program supports local efforts to enhance the oral language, cognitive, and early reading skills of preschool-age children, especially those from low-income families, through strategies, materials, and professional development that are grounded in scientifically based reading research. In this current funding cycle, the Department of Education has established two invitational priorities:

- 1) Intensity – preschool programs that operate full-time, full-year early childhood educational programs, at a minimum of 6.5 hours per day, 5 days per week, 46 weeks per year, and that serve children for the two consecutive years prior to their entry into kindergarten.
- 2) Children From Low-Income Families – projects in which at least 75 percent of the children enrolled in the preschool qualify to receive free or reduced priced lunches or at least 75 percent of the children enrolled in the elementary school in the school attendance area in which that preschool center is located qualify to receive free or reduced priced lunches.

**Funds:** Total funds available: \$94,439,000  
Average grant size:  
Range of grants: \$750,000 to \$4,500,000  
Number of awards: 21 to 125

**Deadline:** Pre-applications: April 22, 2004  
Applications: July 1, 2004

**Eligible:** Local educational agencies that are eligible to receive a sub grant under the Reading

First program, public or private organizations or agencies located in a community served by an eligible local educational agencies, and collaborations with one or more of eligible organizations or agencies.

**Information:** Mary Anne Lesiak, Office of Elementary and Secondary Education, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, Room 3W240, Washington, DC 20202-6132, Telephone: (202) 260-2195, E-mail: [MaryAnne.Lesiak@ed.gov](mailto:MaryAnne.Lesiak@ed.gov), Link: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2004/04-5149.htm>

**FR:** 3/8 10682-10686

## **U.S. Department of Education**

### **Office of Safe and Drug-Free Schools**

#### **Alcohol and Other Drug Prevention Models on College Campuses**

**Program:** The Alcohol and Other Drug Prevention Models on College Campuses grant competition provides awards to identify, enhance, further evaluate, and disseminate information about models of alcohol and other drug prevention at institutions of higher education. The department will give priority to projects that identify, enhance, further evaluate, and disseminate information about an effective alcohol or other drug prevention program being implemented on the applicant's campus. Under this priority, applicants are required to:

- Describe an alcohol or other drug prevention program that has been implemented for at least two full academic years on the applicant's campus;
- Provide evidence of the effectiveness of the program;
- Provide a plan to enhance and further evaluate the program during the project period; and
- Provide a plan to disseminate information to assist other institutions of higher education in implementing a similar program.

**Funds:** Total funds available: \$750,000  
Average grant size: \$75,000  
Number of awards: 10

**Deadline :** April 16, 2004

**Eligible:** Institutions of higher education that offer an associate or baccalaureate degree.

**Information:** Kimberly Light, U.S. Department of Education, Office of Safe and Drug-Free Schools, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, Room 3E222, Washington, DC 20202-6450, Telephone: (202) 260-2647, E-mail: [kimberly.light@ed.gov](mailto:kimberly.light@ed.gov), Link: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2004/04-5154.htm>

**FR:** 3/8 10686-10688



**U.S. Department of Education  
Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services  
Technical Assistance and Dissemination to Improve Services and Results for Children With Disabilities**

**Regional Resource Centers**

**Program:** This program provides technical assistance and information that:

- 1) Support states and local entities in building capacity to improve early intervention, educational, and transitional services and results for children with disabilities and their families; and
- 2) Address goals and priorities for changing state systems that provide early intervention, educational, and transitional services for children with disabilities and their families.

**Funds:** April 26, 2004

**Deadline:** Total funds available: \$7,800,000

Number of awards: six

**Eligible:** States, state educational agencies, local educational agencies, institutions of higher education, other public agencies, nonprofit private organizations, and for-profit organizations

**Information:** Grants and Contracts Services Team, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Room 3317, Switzer Building, Washington, DC 20202-2550, Telephone: (202) 205-8207, Link:

<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2004/04-5389.htm>

**FR:** 3/10 11396-11400

**U.S. Department of Education  
Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services  
Training and Information for Parents of Children with Disabilities  
Community Parent Resource Centers**

**Program:** The purpose of this program is to ensure that parents of children with disabilities receive training and information to help improve results for their children.

**Funds:** Total funds available: \$1,000,000

Average grant size: \$100,000

Number of awards: 10

**Deadline:** April 16, 2004

**Eligible:** Local parent organizations

**Information:** Grants and Contracts Services Team, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, Room 3317, Switzer Building, Washington, DC 20202-2550, Telephone: (202) 205-8207, Link:

<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2004/04-5390.htm>

**FR:** 3/10 11400-11403



**National Fish and Wildlife Foundation**

**National Wildlife Refuge Friends Group Grant Program 2004**

- Program:** This program provides competitive seed grants to creative and innovative proposals that seek to increase the number and effectiveness of organizations interested in assisting the refuge system nationwide. The grant program will prioritize those proposals that seek to reach new audiences, facilitate opportunities for people to experience national wildlife refuges, and help increase public understanding of wildlife needs. Grants will be provided to support proposals that fall within the following areas of emphasis:
- 1) Start-Up Grants – funds to assist starting Refuge Friends Groups with formative or initial operational support;
  - 2) Capacity Building Grants – funds to strengthen the capacity of existing refuge support groups to be more effective; and
  - 3) Project Specific Grants – funds for nonprofit organizations seeking support for a specific project.
- Funds:** Range of grants: \$1,500 to \$5,000
- Deadline:** April 15, 2004 and September 15, 2004
- Eligible:** Nonprofit organizations, including “Friends” groups, Cooperative and Interpretive Associations, Audubon chapters, and other citizen support organizations interested in assisting a refuge or group of refuges and the refuge system as a whole.
- Information:** Suzanne Oversvee, National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, 1120 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Suite 900, Washington, DC 20036, Telephone: (202) 857-0166, Fax: (202) 857-0162, E-mail: [suzanne.oversvee@nfwf.org](mailto:suzanne.oversvee@nfwf.org), Link: <http://www.nfwf.org/programs/nwrgp.htm>

**U.S. Environmental Protection Agency**

**Office of Environmental Justice**

**Hazardous Substances Research Small Grants Program**

- Program:** The purpose of this grant program is to provide financial assistance to eligible affected local community-based organizations that are working on or plan to carry out projects to address environmental or public health concerns. Funds can be used to develop a new activity or substantially improve the quality of existing programs that have a direct impact on affected local communities. Affected local community-based organizations are defined for this grant program as an entity or organization that is:
- 1) A grassroots group or neighborhood organization that is not affiliated with a larger national, regional, or state organization;
  - 2) Located in the same area as the environmental or public health problem that is described in the application and where the residents of the affected community reside;
  - 3) Focused primarily on addressing the environmental or public health problems of the residents of the affected community; and
  - 4) Comprised primarily of members of the affected community.
- Funds:** Grant size: \$25,000

**Deadline:** April 30, 2004  
**Eligible:** Local community-based community organizations.  
**Information:** Kathy Castagna, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 1, One Congress Street, 11<sup>th</sup> Floor, Boston, MA 02203-0001, Telephone: (617) 918-1429, E-mail: [castagna.kathleen@epa.gov](mailto:castagna.kathleen@epa.gov), Link: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2004/04-4465.htm>  
**FR:** 3/1 9618-9623

## HEALTH

**U.S. Department of Health and Human Services  
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention  
Technical Assistance and Training for Immunization Coalitions and Immunization Information Dissemination**

**Program:** The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention announces the availability of fiscal year 2004 funds for a cooperative agreement program for Technical Assistance and Training for Immunization Coalitions and Immunization Information Dissemination. The purpose of the program is to provide support for immunization coalitions and for the dissemination of immunization information to enhance the effectiveness of disease prevention programs that reduce the annual burden of vaccine preventable diseases.

**Funds:** Total funds available: \$682,200  
Range of grants: \$100,000 to \$400,000  
Number of awards: two for Training for Immunization Information Dissemination and two for Technical Assistance

**Deadline:** May 3, 2004

**Eligible:** Public and private nonprofit organizations, universities, colleges, research institutions, hospitals, community and faith-based organizations

**Information:** Kari Sapsis, Project Officer, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 1600 Clifton Rd., MS E-05, Atlanta, GA 30333, Telephone: (404) 639-8837, E-mail: [ksapsis@cdc.gov](mailto:ksapsis@cdc.gov), Link: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2004/04-4808.htm>

**FR:** 3/ 4 10233-10237

**U.S. Department of Health and Human Services  
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention  
Varicella and Viral Vaccine Preventable Disease Surveillance and Epidemiologic Studies**

**Program:** The purpose of the program is to support population-based active surveillance for varicella, herpes zoster, and other viral Vaccine Preventable Diseases (VPD), to assess vaccination coverage by age group, and to conduct applied epidemiological research on the above mentioned viral VPD. The specific research objective for this program are to:

- Evaluate the impact of varicella vaccination program on varicella disease and

- herpes zoster, including the impact of disease control and prevention activities;
- Conduct applied epidemiological research related to varicella, herpes zoster, varicella vaccine policy, and/or other viral VPD.
- Conduct a study to assess immunity against varicella among vaccinated health care workers.
- Evaluate the burden of disease of one or more current VPD, such as influenza, or that may be vaccine preventable in the future, such as like rotavirus, human papillomavirus (HPV), herpes simplex virus type 2 (HSV2), respiratory syncytial virus (RSV), or CMV cytomegalovirus (CMV).

**Funds:** Total funds available: \$932,600  
Average grant size: \$460,000  
Number of awards: two to five

**Deadline:** Letter of intent: March 22, 2004  
Application: May 12, 2004

**Eligible:** Public and private nonprofit organizations and government agencies, including universities, colleges, research institutions, hospitals, and community and faith-based organizations

**Information:** Technical Information Management Section, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Procurement and Grants Office, 2920 Brandywine Road, Atlanta, GA 30341, Telephone: (770) 488-2700, Link: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2004/04-5330.htm>

**FR:** 3/10 11438-11444

## **U.S. Department of Health and Human Services**

### **Centers for Disease Control and Prevention**

#### **Participatory Research on Community Interventions To Increase the Utilization of Effective Cancer Preventive and Treatment Services**

**Program:** The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention announces the availability of fiscal year 2004 funds for a grant program from the National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion Division of Cancer Prevention and Control and the Public Health Practice Program Office, Office of Science and Extramural Research. This announcement supports research to evaluate the effectiveness of community interventions to increase the use by health plans, health insurers, and/or health care providers of evidence-based cancer screening and treatment services in the following three areas:

- 1) To increase provision of colorectal cancer screening;
- 2) To increase use of shared decision making for prostate cancer screening; or
- 3) To increase use of systematically developed guidelines for the diagnosis and treatment of ovarian cancer.

**Funds:** Total funds available: \$1,950,000, with \$650,000 dedicated for colorectal cancer, \$650,000 for ovarian cancer, and \$650,000 for prostate cancer  
Number of awards: at least three

**Deadline:** Letter of intent: March 26, 2004  
Application: May 10, 2004

**Eligible:** Public and private nonprofit organizations, universities, colleges, and research institutions.

**Information:** Technical Information Management Section, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Procurement and Grants Office, 2920 Brandywine Road, Atlanta, GA 30341, Telephone: (770) 488-2700, Link: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2004/04-5433.htm>

**FR:** 3/11 11625-11631

**U.S. Department of Health and Human Services  
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention  
Regional Academic Environmental Public Health Centers**

**Program:** The purpose of the program is to facilitate the development of an integrated national system for academic institutions to assist and support state and local public health departments, and tribal health agencies in the delivery of environmental health services. This announcement will fund five academic institutions to serve as regional centers, with one in each of the following regions: Northeast, Southeast, Midwest, Northwest and Southwest.

**Funds:** Total funds available: \$800,000  
Number of awards: five

**Deadline:** Letter of intent: April 12, 2004  
Application: May 10, 2004

**Eligible:** Academic institutions, including universities and colleges with accredited undergraduate or graduate environmental health programs, and accredited schools of public health

**Information:** Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Procurement and Grants Office, 2920 Brandywine Road, Atlanta, GA 30341, Telephone: (770) 488-2700, Link: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2004/04-5438.htm>

**FR:** 3/10 11631-11634

**HUNGER**

**U.S. Department of Agriculture  
Food and Nutrition Service  
Food Stamp Program Outreach Grants**

**Program:** The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) announced the availability of funding for the Food Stamp Program Outreach Grants. These grants will study the effectiveness of strategies to inform and educate eligible low-income people who are not currently participating in the Food Stamp Program about the nutrition benefits of the program, eligibility rules, and how to apply so they can make an informed decision about whether to participate in the program. For fiscal year 2004, FNS has predetermined five different outreach approaches to facilitate the application process. One of the following strategies must be selected:

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- 1) Community Events/Education Campaign;
- 2) Partnerships with Employers;
- 3) Partnerships with Food Retailers;
- 4) Partnerships with other FNS Programs; and
- 5) Out-stationing/Site Visiting.

**Funds:** Total funds available: \$1 million  
Maximum grant size: \$125,000

**Deadline:** Letters of intent: April 1, 2004  
Full proposals: May 14, 2004

**Eligible:** Public and private, nonprofit organizations, including community and faith-based organizations

**Information:** Lynn Rodgers, Grant Officer, Food and Nutrition Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 3101 Park Center Drive, Room 738, Alexandria, VA 22302, Telephone: (703) 305-2760, E-mail: [lynn.Rodgers@fns.usda.gov](mailto:lynn.Rodgers@fns.usda.gov), Link: <http://www.fns.usda.gov/fsp>

## **U.S. Department of Agriculture**

### **Food and Nutrition Service**

#### **Food Stamp Program Participation Grants**

**Program:** The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) announced the availability of funding for the Food Stamp Program Participation Grants. This grant competition is designed to support projects that develop and implement simple food stamp application and eligibility determination systems or measures to improve access to food stamp benefits by eligible applicants. For fiscal year 2004, FNS intends to make at least one award of up to \$1 million for a proposal that involves a partnership between a state agency and one or more private non-profit organizations. The intent is to encourage relationships between state agencies and private non-profit organizations with strong community ties to enhance a state agency's ability to reach eligible households and improve their certification systems. In addition, FNS is encouraging state agencies to create new relationships with private non-profits. To that end, FNS will award an additional ten points to an application that includes a new partnership between a state agency and a private non-profit. For purposes of this grant, a new relationship means a joint effort between a state agency and a private non-profit organization where the private non-profit organization has not had a financial arrangement involving the Food Stamp Program and this particular state within the past three years.

**Funds:** Total funds available: \$5 million

**Deadline:** May 7, 2004

**Eligible:** State and local government agencies and nonprofit organizations, including community and faith-based organizations

**Information:** Lynn Rodgers, Grant Officer, Food and Nutrition Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 3101 Park Center Drive, Room 738, Alexandria, VA 22302, Telephone: (703) 305-2760, E-mail: [lynn.Rodgers@fns.usda.gov](mailto:lynn.Rodgers@fns.usda.gov), Link: <http://www.fns.usda.gov/fsp>

## WOMEN

### Ms. Foundation

#### Reproductive Rights Coalition and Organizing Fund Grants

**Program:** The Ms. Foundation for Women supports women's organizing efforts for economic and social empowerment, safety, and reproductive rights, and works to increase resources for women with HIV/AIDS and to improve the lives of girls. With its Reproductive Rights Coalition and Organizing Fund (RRCOF), the Ms. Foundation supports the development of a strong and diverse grassroots movement for reproductive and sexual rights as well as comprehensive reproductive healthcare. Through direct grants, peer-to-peer exchange, research, and technical assistance, RRCOF helps to expedite and improve the work of organizations and coalitions addressing state policy related to sexuality and reproductive health. The majority of RRCOF grant funds are allocated for state coalitions and membership organizations mounting proactive strategies that address sexuality and reproductive rights in the context of women's health, consumer rights, patient rights, racial and economic justice, or other contexts that broaden beyond a single issue. Grants are given to individual organizations and coalitions implementing grassroots organizing strategies or other collective approaches designed to improve access to reproductive health services, including abortion, contraception, pre-natal care, well-baby care, and comprehensive sexuality education.

**Funds:** \$15,000 to \$30,000.

**Deadline:** April 9, 2004

**Eligible:** Not-for-profit organizations and coalitions

**Information:** Ms. Foundation for Women, 120 Wall Street, 33<sup>rd</sup> Floor, New York, NY 10005 , Telephone: (212) 742-2300, Fax: (212) 742-1653, E-mail [info@ms.foundation.org](mailto:info@ms.foundation.org), Link: <http://www.ms.foundation.org/wmspage.cfm?parm1=5>

## YOUTH

### Starbucks Foundation

#### Youth Leadership Grant Program

**Program:** The Starbucks Foundation funds local programs that serve low-income, at-risk youth through its Youth Leadership Grant Program. The foundation supports initiatives in two areas:

- 1) Power of Literacy – Funding for programs that stimulate personal development and a commitment to social equity, justice, and environmental awareness through writing, literacy and expression in public forums.
- 2) Leaders in Diversity – Funding for programs that teach the value of societal diversity and develop youth leadership skills to foster understanding between individuals, groups, and communities.

The foundation gives priority to organizations that:

- Reach traditionally underserved communities and communities of color;
- Represent models in nontraditional learning environments and are directly engaged in service delivery; and
- Demonstrate program sustainability.

**Funds:** Range of grants: \$5,000 to \$20,000

**Deadline:** April 1, 2004

**Eligible:** Nonprofit 501 (c)(3) charities that deliver services to youth between the ages of 6 and to 18 and address at least one of the foundation's Youth Leadership areas; provide opportunities for Starbucks partners and stores to be integrated in a meaningful way; and are nondiscriminatory in their policies and practices with regards to physical abilities, gender, race, age, sexual orientation, ethnic origin, and creed.

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